

Monday, October 21, 1996

Daily Digest

Senate

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House of Representatives

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NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1049.)

H.R. 2366, to repeal an unnecessary medical device reporting requirement. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-224)

H.R. 2504, to designate the Federal Building located at the corner of Patton Avenue and Otis Street, and the United States Courthouse located on Otis Street, in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Veatch-Baley Federal Complex". Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-225)

H.R. 2685, to repeal the Medicare and Medicaid Coverage Data Bank. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-226)

H.R. 3060, to implement the Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-227)

H.R. 3186, to designate the Federal building located at 1655 Woodson Road, in Overland, Missouri, as the "Sammy L. Davis Federal Building". Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-228)

H.R. 3400, to designate the United States courthouse to be constructed at a site on 18th Street between Dodge and Douglas Streets in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "Roman L. Hruska United States Courthouse". Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-229)

H.R. 3710, to designate a United States courthouse located in Tampa, Florida, as the "Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse". Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-230)

H.R. 3802, to amend section 552 of title 5, United States Code, popularly known as the Freedom of Information Act, to provide for public access to information in an electronic format. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-231)

S. 1507, to provide for the extension of the Parole Commission to oversee cases of prisoners sentenced under prior law, and to reduce the size of the Parole Commission. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-232)

S. 1834, to reauthorize the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program Act of 1992. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-233)

H.R. 3074, to amend the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985 to provide the President with additional proclamation authority with respect to articles of the West Bank or Gaza Strip or a qualifying industrial zone. Signed October 2, 1996. (P.L. 104-234)

S. 919, to modify and reauthorize the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act. Signed October 3, 1996. (P.L. 104-235)

S. 1675, to provide for the nationwide tracking of convicted sexual predators. Signed October 3, 1996. (P.L. 104-236)

S. 1965, to prevent the illegal manufacturing and use of methamphetamine. Signed October 3, 1996. (P.L. 104-237)

S. 2101, to provide educational assistance to the dependents of Federal law enforcement officials who are killed or disabled in the performance of their duties. Signed October 3, 1996. (P.L. 104-238)

H.R. 1350, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 to revitalize the United States-flag merchant marine. Signed October 8, 1996. (P.L. 104-239)

H.R. 3056, to permit a county-operated health insuring organization to qualify as an organization exempt from certain requirements otherwise applicable to health insuring organizations under the Medicaid program notwithstanding that the organization enrolls Medicaid beneficiaries residing in another county. Signed on October 8, 1996. (P.L. 104-240)

H.R. 657, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of three hydroelectric projects in the State of Arkansas. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-241)

H.R. 680, to extend the time for construction of certain FERC licensed hydro projects. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-242)

H.R. 1011, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Ohio. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-243)

H.R. 1014, to authorize extension of time limitation for a FERC-issued hydroelectric license. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-244)

H.R. 1290, to reinstate the permit for, and extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of, a hydroelectric project in Oregon. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-245)

H.R. 1335, to provide for the extension of a hydroelectric project in the State of West Virginia. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-246)

H.R. 1366, to authorize the extension of time limitation for the FERC-issued hydroelectric license for the Mt. Hope Waterpower Project. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-247)

H.R. 1791, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to make certain technical corrections relating to physicians' services. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-248)

H.R. 2501, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in Kentucky. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-249)

H.R. 2508, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for improvements in the process of approving and using animal drugs. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-250)

H.R. 2594, to amend the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act to reduce the waiting period for benefits payable under that Act. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-251)

H.R. 2630, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-252)

H.R. 2660, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated to the Department of the Interior for Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-253)

H.R. 2695, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of certain hydroelectric projects in the State of Pennsylvania. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-254)

H.R. 2700, to designate the United States Post Office building located at 7980 FM 327, Elmhurst, Texas, as the "Amos F. Longoria Post Office Building". Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-255)

H.R. 2773, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of 2 hydroelectric projects in North Carolina. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-256)

H.R. 2816, to reinstate the license for, and extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of, a hydroelectric project in Ohio. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-257)

H.R. 2869, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Kentucky. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-258)

H.R. 2967, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-259)

H.R. 2988, to amend the Clean Air Act to provide that traffic signal synchronization projects are exempt from certain requirements of Environmental Protection Agency Rules. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-260)

H.R. 3068, to accept the request of the Prairie Island Indian Community to revoke their charter of incorporation issued under the Indian Reorganization Act. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-261)

H.R. 3118, to amend title 38, United States Code, reform eligibility for health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to authorize major medical facility construction projects for the Department, and to improve administration of health care by the Department. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-262)

H.R. 3458, to increase, effective as of December 1, 1996, the rates of disability compensations for veterans with service connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-263)

H.R. 3539, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize programs of the Federal Aviation Administration. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-264)

H.R. 3546, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Walhalla National Fish Hatchery to the State of South Carolina. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-265)

H.R. 3660, to make amendments to the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-266)

H.R. 3871, to waive temporarily the Medicaid enrollment composition rule for certain health maintenance organizations. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-267)

H.R. 3877, to designate the United States Post Office building in Camden, Arkansas, as the "Honorable David H. Pryor Post Office Building". Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-268)

H.R. 3916, to make available certain Voice of America and Radio Marti multilingual computer readable text and voice recordings. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-269)

H.R. 3973, to provide for a study of the recommendations of the Joint Federal-State Commission on Policies and Programs Affecting Alaska Natives. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-270)

H.R. 4138, to authorize the hydrogen research, development, and demonstration programs of the Department of Energy. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-271)

H.R. 4167, to provide for the safety of journeyman boxers. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-272)

H.R. 4168, to amend the Helium Act to authorize the Secretary to enter into agreements with private parties for the recovery and disposal of helium on Federal lands. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-273)

S. 1577, to authorize appropriations for the National Historical Publications and Records Commission for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-274)

S. 1711, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the benefits programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and to provide for a study of the Federal programs for veterans. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-275)

S. 1802, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain property containing a fish and wildlife facility to the State of Wyoming. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-276)

S. 1931, to provide that the United States Post Office and Courthouse building located at 9 East Broad Street, Cookeville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "L. Clure Morton United States Post Office Courthouse". Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-277)

S. 1970, to amend the National Museum of the American Indian Act to make improvements in the Act. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-278)

S. 2085, to authorize the Capitol Guide Service to accept voluntary services. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-279)

S. 2100, to provide for the extension of certain authority for the Marshal of the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court Police. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-280)

S. 2153, to designate the United States Post Office building located in Brewer, Maine, as the Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain Post Office Building". Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-281)

S.J. Res. 64, to commend Operation Sail for its advancement of brotherhood among nations, its continuing commemoration of the history of the United States, and its nurturing of young cadets through training in seamanship. Signed October 9, 1996. (P.L. 104-282)

H.R. 543, to approve a governing international fishery agreement between the United States and the Republic of Estonia. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-283)

H.R. 1514, to authorize and facilitate a program to enhance safety, training, research, and development, and safety education in the propane gas industry for the benefit of propane consumers and the public. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-284)

H.R. 1734, to reauthorize the National Film Preservation Board. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-285)

H.R. 1823, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District dated December 28, 1965, and November 26, 1985. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-286)

H.R. 2297, to codify without substantive change laws related to transportation and to improve the United States Code. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-287)

H.R. 2579, to establish the National Tourism Board and the National Tourism Organization to promote international travel and tourism to the United States. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-288)

H.R. 2779, to provide for soft-metric conversion. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-289)

H.R. 3005, to amend the Federal securities laws in order to promote efficiency and capital formation in the financial markets, and to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 to promote more efficient management of mutual funds, protect investors, and provide more effective and less burdensome regulation. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-290)

H.R. 3159, to amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1997, 1998, and 1999 for the National Transportation Safety Board. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-291)

H.R. 3166, to prohibit false statements to Congress, and to clarify congressional authority to obtain

truthful testimony. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-292)

H.R. 3259, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-293)

H.R. 3723, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect proprietary economic information. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-294)

H.R. 3815, to make technical corrections and miscellaneous amendments to trade laws. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-295)

H.J. Res. 198, appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress and the day for the counting in Congress of the electoral votes for President and Vice President cast in December 1996. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-296)

S. 39, to amend the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act to authorize appropriations, to provide for sustainable fisheries. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-297)

S. 811, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct studies regarding the desalination of

water and water reuse. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-298)

S. 1044, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to consolidate and reauthorize provisions relating to health centers. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-299)

S. 1467, to authorize the construction of the Fort Peck Rural County Water Supply System, and to authorize assistance to the Fort Peck Rural County Water District, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning, design, and construction of the water supply system. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-300)

S. 1973, to provide for the settlement of the Navajo-Hopi land dispute. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-301)

S. 2197, to extend the authorized period of stay within the United States for certain nurses. Signed October 11, 1996. (P.L. 104-302)

S. 640, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States. Signed October 12, 1996. (P.L. 104-303)